

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1650**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Julie D. Saba  
Application No. : 10/622,011  
Filed : July 16, 2003  
Confirmation No. : 1654  
For : COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE MODULATION OF  
SPHINGOLIPID METABOLISM AND/OR SIGNALING

Examiner : Iqbal Hossain Chowdhury, Ph.D.  
Art Unit : 1652  
Docket No. : 200116.405C1  
Date : August 13, 2007

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the final Office Action dated March 12, 2007, please extend the period of time for response two months, to expire on August 13, 2007, August 12, 2007 being a Sunday. Enclosed is a Petition for an Extension of Time and authorization for payment of the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.